

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 and 21 were pending and have been allowed.

Objection to Specification

The Specification was objected to as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter. More specifically, the Examiner indicated that in Claims 1-6 and 21, the terms, "a common substrate," and "switching array substrates," are not supported, and in Claims 7-9, the additional term "the same mask," was not supported.

Applicants submit that the terms are fully supported in the specification. For example, paragraph [031] of the specification states that:

Figure 2 shows TFT array substrates 202 of various sizes disposed on a common glass substrate 201 that will yield LCD panels of various sizes when fabrication is complete. Initially, the area that each TFT array substrate 202 will occupy is decided and assigned to the common glass substrate 201, followed by the fabrication steps that create the TFT array substrates. (emphasis added)

Similarly, paragraph [044] of the specification states that:

The four-mask process described above produces TFTs for all the TFT array substrates 202 on a common glass substrate 201 that share the same switching device sizes and fabrication standards and characteristics.

Numerous other instances of these terms are present throughout the text provide additional support.

Nevertheless, applicants have added the text of Claims 1 and 7 to the Summary section to avoid further objections.



Conclusion

If the Examiner is unable to allow the application in the next Office Action and believes that a telephone interview would be helpful to resolve any issues, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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